

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re patent application of:

) Date: February 14, 2005

Thomas J. Foth, et al.

) Attorney Docket No.: E-977

Serial No.: 09/474,326

) Customer No.: 00919

Filed: December 29, 1999

) Group Art Unit: 3621

Confirmation No.: 2120

) Examiner: Firmin Backer

Title: METHOD FOR FACILITATING A TRANSACTION BETWEEN A MERCHANT
AND A BUYER

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of time for a period of one month to respond to the Office Action mailed on October 12, 2004.

A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

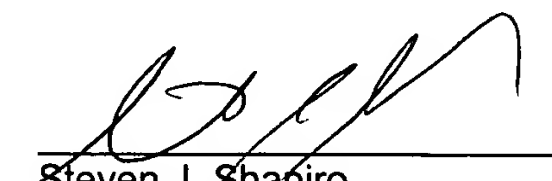
The fee for a one month extension of time is \$120.00. Please charge this fee and any additional extension fee required or credit any excess fee paid to Deposit Account Number **16-1885**.

A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

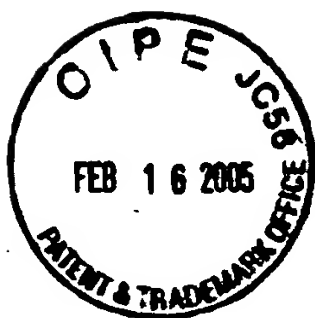
02/18/2005 AHONDAF1 00000011 161885 09474326

01 FC:1251 120.00 DA

Respectfully submitted,


Steven J. Shapiro
Reg. No. 35,677
Attorney of Record
Telephone (203) 924-3880

PITNEY BOWES INC.
Intellectual Property and
Technology Law Department
35 Waterview Drive
P.O. Box 3000
Shelton, CT 06484-8000



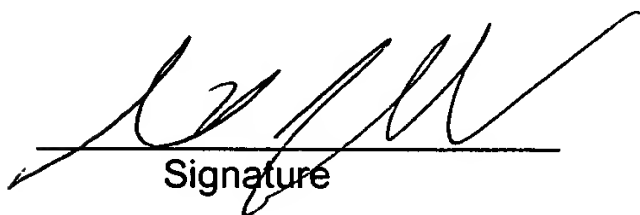
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on February 14, 2005
Date of Deposit

Steven J. Shapiro
Name of Registered Rep.


Signature

February 14, 2005
Date